

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of :  
Osamu Kikuchi :  
Serial No.: [NEW] : Attn: Applications Branch  
Filed: November 26, 2001 : Attorney Docket No.: OKI.285  
For: OPTICAL RECEIVING APPARATUS



**CLAIM OF PRIORITY**

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks,  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant, in the above-identified application, hereby claims the priority date  
under the International Convention of the following Japanese application:

Appln. No. 2000-362527 filed November 29, 2000

as acknowledged in the Declaration of the subject application.

A certified copy of said application is being submitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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